

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Drowning Impact Awareness month will raise awareness that the number and impact of child drowning's in Arizona affects everyone; and

WHEREAS, the drowning incidents in Arizona take the lives of the equivalent of a classroom of children each year; and

WHEREAS, a child drowning can happen to any family regardless of education, race or socio-economic background; and

WHEREAS, families can take simple steps to protect their children around water to avoid the tragedy of the unnecessary loss of life; and

WHEREAS, water safety remains a priority for Arizona families, communities, and government, and Water Watchers at Phoenix Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, keeping children healthy and safe is the goal of Water Watchers at Phoenix Children's Hospital, Fire Departments, and other prevention institutions in Arizona, raising awareness will increase understanding and education of effective ways to prevent drownings.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John W. Lewis, Mayor of the Town of Gilbert, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the August 1 through 31, 2013 as:

"DROWNING IMPACT AWARENESS MONTH"

in the Town of Gilbert.

In witness thereof, I hereby set my hand and affix the Official Seal of the Mayor, Town of Gilbert, Arizona, this 1st day of August 2013.

John W. Lewis, Mayor